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GENEVA FOR VANDEN HEUVEL AND YOUNG

E.O. 11652: XGDS
TAGS: AORG, APER, UN
SUBJECT: THE DNEPROVSKY CASE

1. SUMMARY: ON JULY 12 ASSISTANT SECRETARY MAYNES MET PRIVATELY WITH SECRETARY-GENERAL WALDHEIM TO REPORT THAT THE UNITED STATES HAD NOW HAD INDEPENDENT INDICATIONS WHICH TENDED TO SUPPORT THE BRITISH STATEMENT THAT THE SOVIET NATIONAL SCHEDULED FOR APPOINTEMNT TO A GENEVA UN PERSONNEL POST WAS A STAFF OFFICER OF THE KGB. THE SECRETARY-GENERAL REPLIED THAT HE WAS UNDER TREMENDOUS PRESSURE FROM THE SOVIETS AND FROM THE UN STAFF NOT TO TAKE ACTION AND HE ASKED FOR PROOF WHICH HE COULD USE PUBLICLY BEFORE HE TOOK ACTION. END SUMMARY.

2. AT THE END OF A MEETING WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL, COUNSELOR NIMITZ AND AMBASSADOR LEONARD, MAYNES ASKED TO MEET WITH WALDHEIM PRIVATELY. MAYNES INFORMED WALDHEIM OF OUR INFORMATION ON DNEPROVSKY AND ASKED WALDHEIM WHAT HE INTENDED TO DO. WALDHEIM STATED THAT HE WAS IN A IMPOSSIBLE POSITION. HE HAD ASKED THE BRITISH FOR DEFINITE EVIDENCE OF DNEPROVSKY'S ALLEGED
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AFFILIATION WITH THE KGB. GENEVA UK AMBASSADOR MURRAY HAD PRODUCED "AT A COCKTAIL PARTY A CABLE FROM LONDON STATING "THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT IS FULLY SATISFIED WITH THE EVIDENCE IT HAS RECEIVED."" WALDHEIM COMMENTED TO MURRAY THAT THAT WAS NOT SUFFICIENT. HE REQUIRED EVIDENCE WHICH HE COULD USE WITH THE SOVIETS AND OTHERS.

3. WALDHEIM SAID THAT IN MEANTIME SOVIETS HAD PROTESTED THROUGH TROYANOVSKY. THERE IS ALSO MOUNTING CONCERN AMONG UN EMPLOYEES OVER THE PROSPECT THAT A UN EMPLOYEE'S CONTRACT CAN BE REVOKED WITHOUT EVIDENCE ON THE BASIS OF PRESS STORIES. WALDHIM SAID THE UN STAFF WERE POINTING OUT TO HIM THAT WESTERN EMPLOYEES WERE AS VULNERABLE TO THIS TACTIC AS SOVIET EMPLOYEES. THE GENEVA UN STAFF UNION HAD SENT HIM A VIGOROUS PROTEST, SIGNED BY ITS US CHAIRMAN, OVER THIS AFFAIR.

4. WALDHEIM ASKED MAYNES IF THE UNITED STATES COULD PROVIDE ANY EVIDENCE OF DNEPROVSKY'S AFFILIATION WITH THE KBG WHICH COULD BE USED PUBLICLY. WITH SUCH INFORMATION, WALDHIM SAID HE WOULD CITE ARTICLE 100 OF THE UN CHARTER AND FIRE DNEPROVSKY. MAYNES SAID HE WOULD REPORT WALDHEIM'S VIEWS TO WASHINGTON. LEONARD

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